

OPINION 786

GRISELDA RADICANA HEINRICH, 1923 (INSECTA, LEPIDOPTERA):
VALIDATED UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *Griselda radicana* Heinrich, 1923, is hereby made available, despite the fact that this was a misidentification and that Heinrich had no intention of publishing a new name, and that species is hereby designated to be the type-species of *Griselda* Heinrich, 1923.

(2) The generic name *Griselda* Heinrich, 1923 (gender : feminine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Griselda radicana* Heinrich, 1923, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1734.

(3) The following specific names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *radicana* Heinrich, 1923, as published in the binomen *Griselda radicana* (type-species of *Griselda* Heinrich, 1923) (Name No. 2167);

(b) *radicana* Walsingham, 1879, as published in the binomen *Paedisca radicana* (Name No. 2168).

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1612)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. Nicholas S. Obratsov in September 1963. The application was sent to the printer on 17 December 1963 and was published on 23 April 1964 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 144–145. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin*, as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 184) and to eight entomological serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 10 March 1966 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (66)16 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 145. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 10 June 1966 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—eighteen (18), received in the following order: China, Holthuis, Boschma, Obruchev, Lemche,* Mayr, Binder, Uchida, Bonnet, Jaczewski, Tortonese, Vokes, Forest, Alvarado, Sabrosky, Kraus, Mertens, Evans.

Negative votes—two (2): Simpson,* do Amaral.

Voting Papers not returned—three (3): Hubbs, Munroe, Ride.

Prof. P. Brinck and Dr. N. R. Stoll returned late affirmative votes. The following comments were made by Commissioners in returning their votes.

* A qualified vote. See below.

Dr. L. B. Holthuis (16.iii.66): "Heinrich's (1923) use of *Paedisca radicana* Walsingham, 1879, prevents that name from falling under the definition of a *nomen oblitum*."

Dr. Henning Lemche (4.iv.66): "The reasons given for reviving a forgotten name (*radicana* Walsingham) are quite insufficient. Their acceptance would undermine the whole idea of rejecting *nomina oblita*."

Prof. G. G. Simpson (18.iv.66): "This involves two proposals, which should not have been combined in one vote. I favour (1) (2) and (3) (a) but oppose (3) (b). On evidence submitted, placing this *nomen oblitum* on the Official List would be counter to stability of current nomenclature."

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

Griselda Heinrich, 1923, *Bull. U.S. nat. Mus.* 123 : 186, pl. 7, fig. 36, pl. 49, fig. 329

radicana, *Griselda*, Heinrich, 1923, *Bull. U.S. nat. Mus.* 123 : 186, pl. 7, fig. 36, pl. 49, fig. 329

radicana, *Paedisca*, Walsingham, 1879, *Illustr. Lepid. Heter. Brit. Mus.* 4 : 53, pl. 72, fig. 5.

CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (66)16 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 786.

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